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SUBJ: CEASE-FIRE VIOLATIONS

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1. SINCE SENDING REFTEL I HAVE HAD CHANCE TO GO THROUGH THIS MORNING'S INTELLIGENCE REPORTS AND SEE THAT ISRAELIS APPARENTLY KEPT UP ARTILLERY FIRE UNTIL LESS THAN AN HOUR BEFORE THE CEASE-FIRE WAS TO GO INTO EFFECT. AT 0915 ON THE 26TH THEY APPARENTLY SHELLED TIRI, SAFF AL-HAWA, SHAL'ABUN, TALLAT MUS'UD AND KHALLAT AL MASHTA, TO WHICH FATAH (NOT THE REJECTIONISTS) RESPONDED WITH A ROCKET BARRAGE AGAINST SAFAD.

2. I HAVE TWO COMMENTS: (A) EXACTLY WHAT DO THE ISRAELIS EXPECT THE PALESTINIANS TO DO? SIT AND TAKE IT? UNCLE TOM DIED A LONG TIME AGO. (B) WHILE I AM ALL FOR MAKING SERIOUS REPRESENTATIONS AT SUITABLY HIGH LEVEL, PALESTINIAN RECORD ON CEASE-FIRE HAS BEEN PRETTY GOOD TO DATE. ACCORDING TO ISRAELIS THERE WAS ONE ARTILLERY VOLLEY FROM LEBANESE SIDE LAST NIGHT. WE HAVE NO CONFIRMATION FROM OTHER SOURCES YET.

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